

# Specimen Collection and Submission Instructions *Listeria* Identification (Version 1) Page 1 of 2

Specimen Type	Collection Time	Collection Frequency	Collection Procedures	Transport Media	Shipping & Handling (S&H)**
Bacterial isolate	NA	NA	NA	BHI slant or other transport media	<ul> <li>Transport device: As appropriate.</li> <li>Rejection Criteria: <ul> <li>Mixed culture.</li> <li>Non-viable specimen.</li> <li>Broken transport device.</li> <li>Leaking specimen.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Transport: Ship at ambient temperature. <ul> <li>Ship as Category B.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Storage: Store at ambient temperature.</li> </ul>



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## General Rejection Criteria (for additional details, see S&H)

Failure to follow specific S&H requirements.

#### NOTE:

Specimens will not be processed until ALL of the following information are provided on requisition form:

- Patient name, patient's county of residence, and second identifier.
- Two matching identifiers on both the tube and the laboratory requisition form.
- Specimen type, date of collection, and test requested.
- Submitter name, address, and telephone/FAX numbers.
- Reason for testing at WAPHL.

#### **Collection kit availability**

Not available.

### **Comments**